

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application is requested. Claims 1-3, 5-9 and 19-25 have been canceled without prejudice. Editorial revisions have been made in claims 10, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 26. New claim 29 includes a feature found in original claim 10.

The rejection over Moribe is rendered moot by the cancellation of the rejected. Applicants are not conceding the correctness of the rejection. Favorable reconsideration in the form of a Notice of Allowance is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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